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Mr. Adolf T. Samuelson
Director, Civil Accounting and
Auditing Division
General Accounting Office
Washington 25 D. C.

Dear Mr. Samuelson:

In confirmation of our discussion of 27 February 1962, it is requested that the auditors currently assigned to the audit of the records of Westinghouse Electric Corporation, Baltimore, Maryland be instructed not to examine the details involved with the costs of the following contracts:

It is my understanding that a five-man team under the direction of Mr. Victor Antelman is currently involved in the subject audit. I believe these men are working out of your Philadelphia, Pa. office.

The contracts involved pertain to matters of concern to National Security. The contractual arrangements and all payments connected therewith are audited by a Witting Defense Department Auditor to protect Government interest and, in addition, are handled in accordance with the powers vested in the Director of Central Intelligence under Public Law 110, Section 8(b) which is quoted as follows:

"(b) The sums made available to the Agency may be expended without regard to the provisions of law and regulations relating to the expenditure of Government funds; and for objects of a confidential, extraordinary, or emergency nature, such expenditures to be accounted for solely on the certificate of the Director and every such certificate shall be deemed a sufficient voucher for the amount therein certified."

I appreciate the need for the General Accounting Office to perform the auditing function at the Westinghouse Electric Corporation and this request is not meant to imply that the other normal functions of the group should be limited so long as they do not overlap with the contracts referred to. Would you please not reveal to the auditors the name of the Agency concerned with initiating this request.

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Very truly yours,

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Acting Comptroller